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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Isaiah Moore, Jr.

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For : Apparatus and Methods for Batting Practice and Playing Baseball

Examiner: Mitra Aryanpour

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**PREMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This preliminary amendment is being submitted with a Request for Continued Examination. This amendment responds to the Final Office Action dated April 4, 2003, 2003, no paper number, for which a shortened statutory period of three months ending July 4, 2003 was set in which to respond and for which, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), a request for three month extension of time has been requested. The following amendments and comments are hereby submitted and reconsideration of the claim rejections is respectfully requested.

The applicants submit that in view of the Request for Three-month Extension of time and a check in the amount of \$805.00 to cover the fee for a Request for Continued Examination and Three-month Extension of time submitted with the Request for Continued Examination, and the attached Certificate of Mailing, this response is timely.